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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as set forth below and consider the following remarks:

In the Specification:

Please replace Table 1E on page 24 with the following:

Table 1E. Domain Analysis of NOV1

gnl|Smart|smart00042, CUB, Domain first found in C1r, C1s, uEGF, and bone morphogenetic protein; This domain is found mostly among developmentally-regulated proteins. Spermadhesins contain only this domain.

CD-Length = 114 residues, 99.1% aligned

Score = 85.5 bits (210), Expect = 1e-17

CGGELGDYTGY1ESPNYPGDYPANAECVWHIAPPPKRRILIVVPEIFLP1EDECG-DVLV 857 Query: 799 +G I SPNYP YP N CVW I+ PP RI + 60 Sbjct: 1 CGGTLTASSGTITSPNYPNSYPNNLNCVWTISAPPGYRIELKFTDFDLESSDNCTYDYVE MRKSASPTSITTYETCQTYERPIAFTSRSRKLWIQFKSNEGNSGKGFQVPYVT Query: 858 C + Ρ +S S + + F S+ Sbjct: 61 IYDGPSTSSPLLGRFCGSELPPPIISSSSNSMTVTFVSDSSVQKRGFSARYSA 113 (SEQ ID NO: 181)

Please delete the paragraph beginning on line 1, page 36.